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NEW TRUMP BUDGET CUTS DOMESTIC PROGRAMS

1 President Donald Trump proposed a budget on Monday that calls for cuts in domestic programs and seeks a sharp increase in military spending and funding for a wall on the Mexican border. Presidential budgets are rarely enacted by the Congress, which controls federal purse strings, but they allow the White House to lay out its priorities for the year. The plan calls for deep cuts in nonmilitary spending that

would lower the federal budget deficit by more than \$3 trillion over 10 years. But those cuts fly in the face of a two-year budget deal passed last week by Congress that raised spending limits on both military and domestic programs by \$300 billion. The Trump budget also calls for overhauling Medicare and Medicaid, two government-funded healthcare programs that are widely popular. Have to be approved by Congress.

WHITE HOUSE STRUGGLES WITH FBI CLEARANCES

2 Grappling with the fallout over a former aide accused of domestic abuse, the White House on Monday said any changes in how security clearance investigations are conducted on President Donald Trump's team would be up to the FBI and intelligence agencies. Former White House staff secretary Rob Porter, who resigned under pressure on Wednesday, had been operating under a temporary clearance

that gave him access to classified information, in the absence of a final security clearance. The White House has not offered a definitive explanation of when top officials first got word of problems in Porter's background. One official said Chief of Staff John Kelly had wondered why Porter's clearance was taking so long — along with that of some other top officials, including the president's son-in-law, Jared Kushner.



OBAMAS ATTEND PORTRAIT UNVEILING AT NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

3 Former President Barack Obama and former first lady Michelle Obama stand next to their newly unveiled portraits during a ceremony at the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery on Monday in Washington, D.C. The portraits were commissioned by the Gallery. Artist Kehinde Wiley created President Obama's portrait, and Amy Sherald did that of Michelle Obama. **For more on the portrait unveiling, see page 14.**

SENATE TO FINALLY DEBATE IMMIGRATION

4 The Senate was to begin a major, free-for-all immigration debate, its first in nearly five years, on Monday evening that could decide the fate of 700,000 Dreamer immigrants, young people brought into the country illegally years ago as children. Under an order issued last year by President Donald Trump, the Dreamers could be deported after March 5, a deadline that will loom behind the rare Senate

debate, in which no single bill will be the centerpiece and a range of ideas will be in play. By forcing the deadline on Congress with his September order, Trump drove a sharp wedge between Democrats and Republicans on an emotionally charged issue. Despite last week's enactment of a bipartisan budget deal, it was unclear if any immigration bill could cross the Senate's 60-vote hurdle, let alone pass the more conservative House.

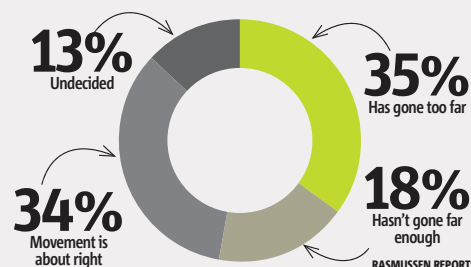
NY AG: WEINSTEIN DEAL NEEDS FUNDS FOR VICTIMS

5 New York's attorney general said on Monday a deal for the Weinstein Company should include a bigger compensation fund for victims of ex-chairman Harvey Weinstein, speaking a day after the state's lawsuit scuttled a deal. The film and TV studio was close to inking a deal on Sunday to sell itself for more than \$500 million to an investor group led by Maria Contreras-Sweet, a former official

in President Barack Obama's administration, when Attorney General Eric Schneiderman filed a civil rights lawsuit against the company. People familiar with the matter said the lawsuit put sale negotiations on hold. Schneiderman said he wants the "facts of our complaint factored into whatever deal is structured going forward." The lawsuit does not block the sale but creates liabilities that make it difficult to finalize.

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Report: NYC residential vacancy still low, showing an 'affordability crisis'

Despite a swelling housing stock, there's a 3.63 percent vacancy rate throughout the five boroughs — anything below 5 percent is considered an emergency.



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Even though the city has the largest housing stock on record, New Yorkers are still struggling to find housing — specifically, affordable housing — according to a report from the Department of Housing Preservation and Development.

New York City's Housing and Vacancy Survey, completed every three years by HPD and the U.S.



Despite a large housing stock, New York City still has a low vacancy rate, officials said. PIXABAY

Census Bureau, measures the city's rental vacancy rate and housing stock.

The city's housing stock has been growing, with about 69,000 units added between 2014 and 2017, according to the city. There are about 3.5 million units in the city's

housing stock, but vacancy rates are still "stubbornly low," officials said.

The vacancy rate throughout the city is 3.63 percent, according to the survey. A rate below 5 percent is considered a "housing emergency," according to the city, and

triggers the extension of rent regulation laws.

This low vacancy rate — though a slight increase from 2014's rate of 3.4 percent — shows the continued need for rent stabilization, officials said.

"Even as we make

progress, this report underlines the fact that we are facing a stubborn affordability crisis," said HPD Commissioner Maria Torres-Springer in a statement. "There are several bright spots, including that incomes are now rising more than rents. This means rent regulation must be renewed, that we must strengthen those very laws."

In 2017, there were about 966,000 rent-stabilized units, making up 44 percent of the city's rental stock, and 22,000 rent-controlled units, accounting for 1 percent of the rental stock.

The vacancy rate for these units is low at about 2 percent, according to the city. Subsidized units like public housing or project-based rental assistance have a vacancy rate of less than 1 percent.

"This survey shows

how critical it is to preserve the affordable housing we have, while continuing to add new units to the city's housing supply," New York City Council Speaker Corey Johnson said in a statement. "Next month, I will be sponsoring legislation to extend rent regulation laws that protect over a million families, and I look forward to working with the administration and the State Legislature to close those loopholes that have resulted in the loss of affordable housing."

There have been some improvements, according to the report, including an increased quality of neighborhood conditions. More than 75 percent of residents said their neighborhood conditions were "good or excellent." That's up from 70 percent in 2011.

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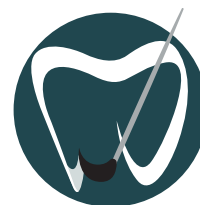
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Vanessa Trump was taken for medical care after receiving unidentified white powder in the mail. GETTY IMAGES

Police: Suspicious mail leads to hospitalization for Trump Jr.'s wife

After opening a letter, Vanessa Trump, 2 others complained of nausea.

Vanessa Trump, the wife of Donald Trump Jr., and two other people were taken to a New York hospital Monday after she opened a piece of mail containing an unidentified white powder that was later determined to be nonhazardous, officials said.

"The substance had arrived by mail and it was addressed to Donald Trump Jr.," said New York Police Department spokesman Carlos Nieves.

Vanessa Trump, the daughter-in-law of President Donald Trump, was hospitalized after she complained of nausea following her exposure, New York officials said.

Three patients from the household were transported to the New York

Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center for further evaluation, said Fire Department spokeswoman Sophia Kim.

The three also included Vanessa Trump's mother, though she had not complained of symptoms, the police spokesman said.

U.S. authorities have been on alert for mail with white powder in it since 2001, when envelopes laced with anthrax were sent to media outlets and U.S. lawmakers, killing five people.

The U.S. Secret Service, which is charged with protecting members of the president's family, has joined the investigation said spokesman Jeffrey Adams. White House officials had no immediate comment.

The apartment building where the incident occurred is in Manhattan's expensive Sutton Place neighborhood,

close to the East River. The apartment may be the home of Vanessa Trump's mother, local news outlets reported.

Donald Trump Jr., the president's eldest son, has been in the public eye for his role in 2016 meetings with a Russian attorney and others where the Trump campaign was offered potentially damaging information about Democratic rival Hillary Clinton.

Congress has held probes into those meetings and whether they were part of a Russian campaign to influence the 2016 U.S. presidential election.

Russia denies trying to influence the election. Trump dismisses any talk of collusion.

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A self-flying drone can avoid hitting objects in an unknown environment with a new system developed at MIT CSAIL. MIT CSAIL

New research helps self-flying drones avoid crashes

Researchers at MIT's Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Lab are changing how autonomous drones fly through the air.



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Flying a drone is hard — all the crash videos available online make that clear.

It's even harder for a drone to fly itself, especially through areas like cities, forests or warehouses, where there are a lot of things to run into.

Autonomous drones could revolutionize a lot of fields, but before your packages can be delivered by a self-navigating robot, it has to know how to fly through dense environments without crashing.

Scientists at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (CSAIL) are making headway on just that.

CSAIL researchers have developed a system called Nanomap that allows autonomous drones to fly 20 miles per hour through crowded spaces, avoiding the obstacles that could stop them in their tracks.

It's hard for autonomous drones to know exactly where they are or how far they've traveled, explained Pete Florence, an MIT graduate student and lead author on a paper explaining Nanomap.

"Because they don't have wheels on the ground, they're much

more uncertain about where they're moving," he said. "If they had wheels, it could be as simple as measuring how much the wheels turned and that's a good measure of how far you moved."

Instead, drones take a lot of measurements — but that takes time and can't be done as fast as it's flying through the air.

Nanomap takes a more general approach, basically always thinking that the drone's position is uncertain, not a fixed dot on a digital map.

"As roboticists, we get excited about all the little details, but the big picture this is all about is not hitting things," Florence said.

By thinking that a drone doesn't need to take "100 different measurements and find the average to figure out its exact location in space," according to MIT, Nano-

map gathers just enough information to know an object is in a general area.

And that's pretty revolutionary. This system can apply to all autonomous tech, like self-driving cars. When it comes to drones, it can help them better conduct search

and rescue operations through dense areas full of obstacles, researchers say, or deliver packages through a crowded city.

It can also apply to one of the biggest drone uses: filming video.

"There's a dream of having a drone follow you while you're snowboarding and dodge the trees," Florence said. "Lots of companies are working on that, and this approach definitely helps."

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ASPCA funds microchip scanners for NYPD to fight animal cruelty

The microchips are about the size of a grain of rice and are implanted in dogs and cats.



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In its effort to help the NYPD fight animal cruelty, the ASPCA is funding pet microchip scanners for all 86 police precincts, including Housing Police Service Areas across the city, the organization announced Monday.

Microchips are about the size of a grain of rice and are implanted in dogs and cats. They include a unique serial number that can be scanned to match a database that will have the pet owner's contact information, which will help NYPD officers respond more quickly to suspected animal cruelty.

"Effectively fighting animal cruelty means equipping law enforcement officers with practical tools as well as comprehensive training, and these scanners will certainly accelerate the process of finding owners and clearing cases," ASPCA President and CEO Matt Bershadker said in a statement. "As we enter the fifth year of our partnership with the NYPD, I'm inspired by their en-

thusiasm to use every means available to stop cruelty, rescue victimized animals and bring animal abusers to justice."

More than 250 NYPD officers attended a pet microchip demonstration featuring Orson, an adoptable dog, at the Police Academy in College Point, Queens, on Saturday.

Held throughout the year by the NYPD and ASPCA, the seminars offer instruction on everything from animal cruelty investigation tactics and laws to blood spots.

More than 2,500 NYPD officers have participated in an animal cruelty investigations training seminar since the ASPCA/NYPD partnership began in 2014. The program enables the NYPD to lead responses to animal cruelty complaints and the ASPCA to provide direct care for the animal victims, as well as training, veterinary forensics and legal aid for the NYPD.

"With the animal cruelty training and widespread use of these devices, we will be able to accelerate the process of finding owners to assist in our investigations," said Deputy Chief James Luongo, commanding officer of the NYPD's Special Investigation Division.

To report suspected animal cruelty, New Yorkers are urged to call 311 or, if a crime is in progress, 911.



Capt. Mark Gaudio of the Patrol Services Bureau and Howard Lawrence, vice president of ASPCA Humane Law Enforcement, with the microchip scanners. ALL PHOTOS ASPCA



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But while marketers were peddling "wonder cures," real doctors and researchers were hard at work trying to discover a real medical solution. Modern medicine eradicated small pox and polio. Through laser eye surgery, doctors can give almost blind people perfect 20/20 vision. The potential cures on the horizon with breakthroughs like stem cell and regenerative therapies are endless.

Solve The Riddle Of Arthritis Pain?

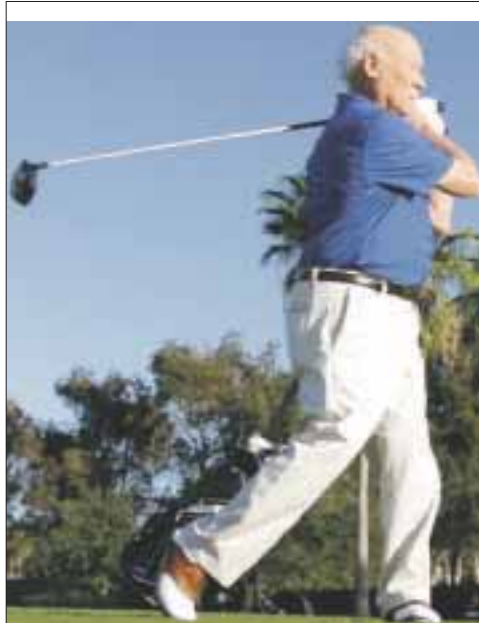
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And even better - if this treatment works for you the first time - it can be safely repeated when necessary and the results are often better for some.

Like Threading A Needle?

The key to this treatment being successful is actually getting the special lubricating gel directly into the joint where it can go to work. That's why the doctors at ***NYC Pain MD*** use very advanced digital imaging that allows them to see directly into the joint and make sure the lubricating gel "hits the spot" and the treatment has the best odds for success. Studies show that doctors doing these types of procedures without this special imaging actually miss the joint space up to one third of the time!



"I've had trouble with my knee walking. I'm a golfer and want to play golf but I couldn't. I made the call and went and it's the best thing I ever did. It's just - now I can play golf, I can walk, I can climb stairs, I can do things I did many years ago".

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(While we cannot guarantee that all knee arthritis pain sufferers will respond like the patient noted above, we can say these results are possible.)

Why Treatment Can Fail

This is why viscosupplementation can fail for some people. It is also why many knee arthritis sufferers come to ***NYC Pain MD*** after failed treatments elsewhere... and are finally able to get relief. It is not uncommon for patients to travel hours for these advanced and precise treatment methods.

Patients Should Be Assured About Precision Treatments

If you have already had this procedure without this advanced imaging... Or if it was not used throughout the procedure, there is a good chance you did not get the maximum results you could have and should have.

What The Research Says About Results:

Can We Slow Down Arthritis? A retrospective study of nearly 1000 cases of knee arthritis between 49 and 79 years old was done by an orthopedic surgeon in Louisiana. Patients with Grade 4 or "bone to bone" who presented for consideration of knee replacement were instead put on a program of image-guided gel injection procedures. Follow up almost 4 years later revealed that about 3 of 4 had done well and had not need surgery...regardless of age or even if overweight.

Another study was done by Pearl Diver research group who reviewed 198,000 files of those who underwent this type of treatment. Follow up 2 years later revealed 82% had not required surgery.

Massive Cost Saving For Patients, Insurance Companies & Medicare?

While surgery may be the best option for some...for others, due to fear of surgical risk, medical ailments that may prohibit surgery or for those that are just seeking less invasive alternatives, the costs savings can be staggering. In a study published in the American Journal of Managed Care, a potential savings of \$4706.00 per patient if treated with viscosupplementation was estimated. In a theoretical population of 100,000 (NYC is over 10 million) over a 3 yr. period, 808 knee replacements were projected to be avoided and up to \$9,131,819 could potentially be saved by patients, medicare and insurance carriers. *This should be welcome news for rising health care costs.*

Who Can Benefit From This Treatment?

This treatment is not for everyone. But it may be for you if you have sensations of grinding or rubbing, pain on simple weight bearing, getting up from sitting or even simply

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when bending your knees, struggling up and down stairs (like subways), have pain on walking, feel tight and stiff after activities or in the morning or just cannot move like you used to. If this sounds like you, then seeing one of the specially trained doctors at **NYC Pain MD** could be the best thing you could do for yourself. But it is suggested you do not wait as arthritis can easily worsen with more time.

And this is very important - especially for those who have had viscosupplementation in the past without good results. Many patients who did not have good results elsewhere are often able to get a favorable results because of the advanced imaging technology and procedure experience at **NYC Pain MD**.

Even doctors themselves are often patients at NYC Pain MD.

How to Find Out If The Experts At NYC Pain MD Can Help You

If you have knee arthritis pain and would like to see if this treatment might help you - the experts at **NYC Pain MD** offer a complimentary screening appointment.

This screening will help determine if you are a candidate for treatment and also gives you a chance to get all your questions answered.

If you are a candidate, you will leave knowing that you found the possible way to lessen or even eliminate your knee pain for 6 months or more for many patients.

There is no obligation and if you are not a candidate - the doctor will help you find the best approach for your particular case and refer you to the proper sources. To set up a screening at no cost, simply call **800-741-5340**

The NYC Pain MD 'X' Factor ?

NYC Pain MD is a high-tech medical facility equipped with all the necessary equipment to treat appropriate candidates right in their own in-office procedure suites. What does this mean for you? It means no stressful hospital, no intimidating surgical center or out patient facility visits.

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The Secret To Knee Pain Relief? With precision advances in medical science and technology the caring doctors at **NYC Pain MD** have been able to help so many relieve their pain and get their active lifestyle back.

How To Get A No-Cost Screening & Find Out If This Knee Arthritis Treatment Is For You

The popularity of this treatment is startling. New Yorkers are lining up weekly to find out if they are candidates... patients looking for options other than surgery that really work. But because this is a real medical treatment - it is not for everyone. That's why the experts have setup an easy screening visit.. This screening will help determine if you are a candidate for additional examination and possible

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New poll: Cuomo favorability, performance ratings drop among New York state voters

A newly released poll also found that New Yorkers overwhelmingly trust Mueller and the FBI, but Trump, not so much.



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Gov. Andrew Cuomo's popularity has declined. FLICKR/GOV. ANDREW CUOMO

Gov. Andrew Cuomo started off the 2018 election year with his second term's highest favorability rating, but he hit "significant speed bumps" this month, a new poll from Siena College says.

Cuomo, who is seeking a third term in Albany this year, had a nine-point drop to 53 percent from 62 percent in his favorability rating among New York registered voters month-over-month. Additionally, the governor's job perfor-

mance rating fell to negative 45-53 percent from positive 50-48 percent, and those who would reelect Cuomo right now also dropped from last month.

"Cuomo's net favorability rating is down 19 points," Siena College pollster Steven Greenberg said. "He's down with Democrats, more with Republicans and even more with independents."

Support for the Child Victims Act — which

would eliminate the statute of limitations for sexually related criminal cases against individuals under 18 and extends limitation for civil litigation — saw a 3 percent increase in February. Support also grew for early voting and the state Dream Act.

The Siena poll discovered that New Yorkers find the Supreme Court and the FBI "highly trustworthy," Greenberg said, adding that special counsel Robert Mueller is strongly trusted by Democrats and independents and breaks even with Republicans.

More than two-thirds of the 823 voters polled by Siena College are paying attention to Mueller's investigation, which 70 percent say should continue without White House or Congress interference.

Thirty-two percent of voters do not find President Trump trustworthy.

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Part of the agency's Fastrack program, the work will be done on four consecutive week-nights from 9:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday through Friday, Feb. 12-16 and again on Feb. 20-23. It will affect service at stations between Jackson Heights-Roosevelt Avenue in Queens and the World Trade Center in Lower Manhattan.

During the two-week work:

- **E trains** will run local between Jamaica Center and Jackson Heights-Roosevelt Avenue. There will be no E train service in both directions between Jackson Heights-Roosevelt Avenue and World Trade Center.

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Barack and Michelle Obama participate in the unveiling of their official portraits at the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery. GETTY IMAGES

Obama jokes about ears, gray hair as official portraits are unveiled

The Obamas expressed awe and noted that they were the first people in their families to have an official painting.

Former President Barack Obama joked about his ears and gray hair and praised his wife Michelle Obama's "hotness" at the unveiling of the couple's official portraits at the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery on Monday.

The Obamas tapped artists Kehinde Wiley and Amy Serrano for the paintings, which will be added to the National Portrait Gallery's collection of presidential portraits.

Wiley and Serrano were the first black artists ever commissioned to paint a president or

"I want to thank you for so spectacularly capturing the grace and beauty and intelligence and charm and hotness of the woman that I love," Obama said.

He quipped that Wiley, who painted his portrait, was at a disadvantage because his subject was "less becoming."

"I tried to negotiate less gray hair and Kehinde's artistic integrity would not allow him to do what I asked," Obama said. "I tried to negotiate smaller ears — struck out on that as well."

Michelle Obama said she hoped the portrait

"They will look up and they will see an image of someone who looks like them, hanging on the wall of this great American institution. I know the kind of impact that will have on their lives, because I was one of those girls."

Michelle Obama

first lady for the Smithsonian.

For his portrait by Wiley, Obama is depicted sitting in a brown chair with a backdrop of bright green leaves. Michelle Obama's painting shows her sitting with one hand under her chin and the other draped across her lap, while wearing a long flowing dress decorated with geometric shapes.

Obama, who was the first African-American president, complimented Serrano for her portrait of Michelle.

would have an impact on young girls of color in the years ahead.

"They will look up and they will see an image of someone who looks like them, hanging on the wall of this great American institution," she said. "I know the kind of impact that will have on their lives, because I was one of those girls."

The Portrait Gallery's tradition of commissioning presidential portraits began with President George H.W. Bush. REUTERS

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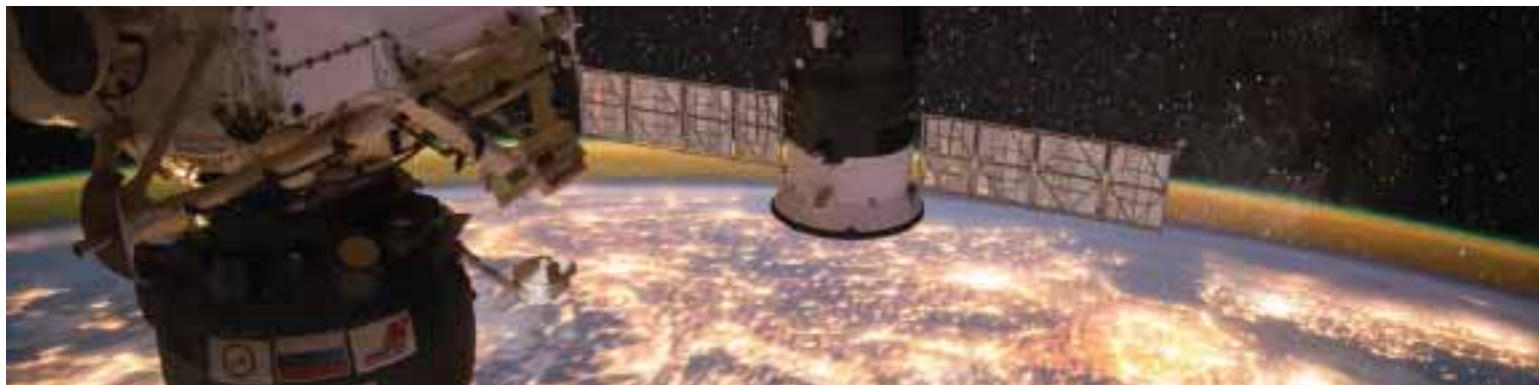
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President Trump has moved to increase the privatization of space. NASA

Trump wants to shut down space station to prep for private space

One of President Trump's visions for the American space program is to turn the International Space Station into a kind of strip mall, with various private companies taking over pieces of the station and its functions as the federal government defends it within seven years.

Quartz reports that Trump's 2019 budget shifts NASA's focus to deep space, increasingly relying on private companies to provide other aspects of the space program, such as ground-to-space communications and moon landings.

Trump wants to end federal funding for the International Space Station by 2024 and, beginning with 2019, create a \$150 million program to prepare private companies to take over functions on the ISS or replace it with their own space stations. Companies such as Bigelow Aerospace and Jeff Bezos's Blue Origin have been agitating for the move for years.

The 2019 budget includes funding for new partnerships to land robots on the moon, increase spending on deep-space probes built by Boeing and Lockheed Martin and new crafts built by Boeing and Musk's SpaceX that are

scheduled to take astronauts to the International Space Station in 2020.

To pay for that, the budget cuts \$100 million in ISS funding, ends NASA's independent education program and slashes funding for Earth science.

It's far from certain that the president will get his way. Last year, Congress essentially ignored Trump's 2018 budget proposal — with its massive cuts to many domestic programs — and funded most programs at their current levels. International agree-

"As a fiscal conservative, you know one of the dumbest things you can do is cancel programs after billions in investment when there is still serious usable life ahead."

Sen. Ted Cruz

ments would complicate any essential redefinition of the ISS. Boeing now operates the ISS for NASA for \$4 billion a year, and it's not eager to lose the contract. And there is reluctance in Congress to cut ties with the International Space Station after the U.S. government has spent billions of dollars and decades invest-

ing in the project. "As a fiscal conservative, you know one of the dumbest things you can do is cancel programs after billions in investment when there is still serious usable life ahead," said Sen. Ted Cruz, who called the proposal the product of "numbskulls" at the Office of Management and Budget. **MICHAEL MARTIN**

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The cost of taking a 'victory lap'

Why taking a fifth year to finish your degree might not be such a great idea.



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It's OK not to have your sh-t together when you first head off to college. After all, you're still just a kid trying to figure out this big world. This is why so many students take an extra year to finish their four-year degree with what many call a "victory lap."

But with so much talk about the student debt crisis these days, how much can taking an extra year to earn

your degree add to your running balance with banks and student loan providers? According to a study published by the Lending Tree, titled "The Victory Lap," taking an extra year may help students balance campus life and their studies at a reasonable pace, but the added cost can be more than most students bargain for in the long run.

The study found that taking five years to graduate may cost a student "between \$29,000 (for in-state public tuition) and \$52,000 a year (for private tuition) in principal and interest over the life of a typical student loan." This amount will increase



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drastically for students who are paying out-of-state tuition.

The study also shows

that the highest rate of students taking these "victory laps" has been found at schools

with larger graduating classes. "Schools with 30,000-40,000 students have the highest rates of fifth-year seniors," the study says, "with 20.6% of students taking five years to graduate. Schools with 2,000-5,000 students have an average of 10.6% of students graduating in the fifth year."

The study found that only 10.2% of undergraduate students from smaller private schools feel the need to take an extra year to earn their degrees, compared with

16.3% of public-school undergraduates.

In fact, the top five schools with the highest percentages of students graduating in five years are all public schools.

This could mean that students attending a school with an overwhelmingly large graduating class risk losing focus on their studies and may need to take a "victory lap" to complete your studies — you could be adding more to your already-mounting student debt.



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Director David Bruckner on adapting the book for the screen.



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Taking a shortcut in a horror movie is always a prelude to disaster. Especially when it's through a forest that just happens to be haunted by a Nordic god.

That's exactly what happens in Netflix's latest, "The Ritual," in which four friends find themselves battling the supernatural as they just try to find their way through the trees and back to safety.

Based on Adam Nevill's 2011 book of the same name, "The Ritual" is evocative and increasingly haunting, but it isn't completely faithful to its source material.

Over the phone, director David Bruckner says it wasn't an easy book to adapt — especially because the media are inherently different.

"The experience of the book is very much in Luke's head," Bruckner says. "The nature of the prose means that you could wander into that, his memories, and what he was like with these guys when they were younger.

"That's juxtaposed against the life-and-death survival that the guys are going through," he continues. "The experience of the book oscil-



Rafe Spall taking on the supernatural in "The Ritual," out on Netflix now. NETFLIX

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lates back and forth between the memory of their friendship and their current experience.

"To do that in the movie probably would have been too art-house, and the momentum

of the story would have been challenged by that amount of backstory."

Bruckner, who says the influences

on the film range from "Deliverance," "Predator" and "Wicker Man" to Ben Wheatley and Steven Spielberg, made these alterations to

make sure that the narrative was always driving forward.

"So we set out to create an event on the front end of the movie that the audience could experience, then that would charge the group of friends with a similar problem," Bruckner says. "The book was very much how Luke's friends had lost faith in him and this was a different way to do it."

Not all of Bruckner's suggestions were received so positively. Admitting there was a bit of a culture gap, Bruckner points out that he

was still an American trying to tell the story of four British friends lost in the woods.

"I loved the banter of the script, the way that they joke amongst themselves," he says. "But I had a lot of help from the actors and producers developing it."

"A lot of times I would come up with an idea and everyone would shake their heads at me, and say, 'You can't do that, mate.' I thought it was reasonable to rob a store with a cricket bat. They told me that would be funny in all of the wrong ways."



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Daniel Zovatto thinks Trump's ascendance is a good thing

Chatting with the "Here and Now" actor about the new HBO series and his secret talent.



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"Here and Now," Alan Ball's latest family dramedy, is very much an ensemble piece in every sense of the word. The series focuses on the Bayer-Boatwright family (with Holly Hunter and Tim Robbins at the helm) and their sprawl of adopted children from different countries — plus one self-admittedly "painfully white" biological daughter. If Angelina Jolie is coming to mind, you're on the right track. But through it all, Daniel Zovatto's Ramon is smack dab in the center, with his visions (or is it hallucinations?) driving the family's most pressing crisis.

And he has more in common with his charac-

ter than you think.

Much like Ramon, the 26-year-old actor oozes a slight other-worldliness over the phone. And they share similar experiences, too. Case in point? In one scene in the first episode, Ramon's siblings — one black, one Asian — complain that their little brother was treated better by their parents because he passed for white. Which Zovatto knows all too well.

"When I started off, people knew that I was from Costa Rica. And I was going into all these auditions for Latino characters and a lot of the feedback was, 'He's good but he doesn't look Latino,'" he says.

"It's something that I've lived with my whole life, people not thinking that I speak Spanish because of the way that I look. [They're like,] 'How come you're not brown and short?'"

Not many shows have had the audacity to take on passing so directly —

especially within the first 15 minutes of the first episode — but Zovatto is hopeful about that, and the show's message in general. "It kinda opens the door to people acknowledging that stereotypes are not good," he muses.

"Here and Now" does quite a bit of work on that front, tackling all facets of Trump's America with equal, overwhelming aplomb: casual racism, white supremacy, violent pro-life activists and much, much more.

"I feel like this show is perfect for the



Daniel Zovatto stars as Ramon in the overwhelmingly current series. HBO

time because it talks about all the things that we don't really want to be talking about," Zovatto says. "I think —" he starts laughing, perhaps conscious of the temerity it takes to say — "that Trump

is a good thing." Say what now?

He quickly clarifies. "He's bringing [out] all these conversations that have been subdued for so many years. Trump is a product of basically what's going on in the world, if anything."

This world being, according to Zovatto, one where we've distanced from ourselves from each other thanks to social media and reality television. "Our society is more focused on reality TV shows and talking about stuff that really doesn't matter," he says. "To be part of a show that brings these

conversations to the table, it's valuable and very needed. And it feels good."

Another thing that makes the young actor feel good? His art. When I ask about his paintings, he demurs. "Paying attention to what's going on with you and expressing yourself is important," he says. "Some people go to the gym and lift weights and look at themselves and are like, 'F—k dude, I look good!'"

"But for me, [painting] just gives me a peace of mind," he says. "I think that's a beautiful thing."

"Here and Now" premieres on HBO on Sunday, Feb. 11.

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A night with Salt Bae

Here's what you'll find at Nusr-Et, the new Midtown steakhouse by Instagram meme Salt Bae.



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"Do you know what you're eating?"

Curiosity had finally gotten the better of the burly man at a nearby table, who approached our party of four with a friendly smile and a question.

We were in the middle of dinner at Nusr-Et in Midtown, the newest location of the steakhouse chain owned by Turkish butcher-turned-Instagram celebrity Salt Bae that just opened last month.

But there's only one way to summon the living meme (all of the staff wear #SaltBae pins to

remind you of this) to personally #bless your table, and that's by ordering the \$275 tomahawk steak now sitting in front of us.

It is all absurd enough to merit a reality check. Our entire experience at Nusr-Et, in fact, left us asking similar versions of that question all night.

What is this place?

To properly enjoy Nusr-Et, you have to be willing to shed the prudishness that civilization has cultured in us.

While traditional steakhouses veer so far from the original fire-and-meat experience of beef that they're almost a parody, Salt Bae has channeled the primal enjoyment of gathering around a fire (and there's almost always something on fire near you).

Nusr-Et is the club-restaurant of steak, with



A reverent hush falls over the table (and the phones come out) when Salt Bae appears.
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thumping Turkish music, a dining room dominated by large tables and staff who appreciate the art of performance as much as their leader — but often at the expense of the product.

What is happening?

This can be a thrill, like roasting the "meat sushi" tableside with two blowtorches on wooden platter. But the end result ranges from a fun bite of crispy beef to an aftertaste of lighter fluid.

It can also be intensely personal: To have a bite of the very good sirloin "spaghetti," each diner must give their fork to the waiter, who winds up a "strand" and will then feed it to those in arm's reach.

There's pointing the caveman-size bone at the diner most likely to take the hint and tear the last bit of short rib (dry, stringy) off with his teeth, or Salt Bae dangling a slice of steak from the tip of his wicked-looking carving knife into the

mouth of a man who pumps his fist in victory.

It's the bartender showing off to guests at the bar by balancing cocktails — or an entire pyramid of them — on his arm that are a watery mess by the time they arrive at the table.

Is the Salt Bae hype real?

The only time the party atmosphere abates is when Salt Bae appears, ninja-like in all black and sunglasses.

He's silent through his famous ritual, and a complementary hush falls over each table, too, as the same act you've seen dozens of times online takes on new significance when it's your meat being sliced, seasoned and presented with a flourish.

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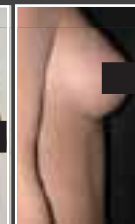
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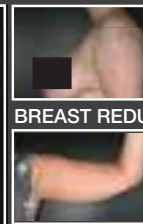
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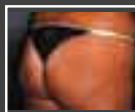
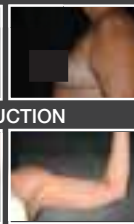
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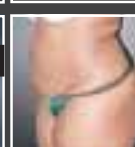
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The biggest-ever Dessert Goals

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New York City's happiest food festival, Dessert Goals, is upping the sweet factor for its first 2018 edition — and you might even score a ticket this time.

The spring 2018 edition of Dessert Goals, the Instagram-friendliest showcase for the city's prettiest cakes, crepes, ice creams and cookies, will stretch to two weekends for the first time: March 17-18 and 24-25.

It's also moving to Sound River Studios in Long Island City from Brooklyn. The new location has twice the space for all the new dessert-focused restaurants and

businesses cropping up to satisfy the demand for Instagram fodder.

New vendors include Supermoon Bakehouse with its out-of-this-world pastries, adorable frosted cookies from Tiny Kitchen Treats and push-pop cakes



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by P.O.P. Cake Shop. Also bringing her cake game is New York Cake Show winner Ashley Holt of Sugar Monster Sweets.

The sweet-fest is adding a theme for the first time: spring disco, so come dressed in Hawaiian

florals, "Saturday Night Fever" dance-floor duds and patterned bellbot-toms.

Despite always selling out its tickets within an hour, Dessert Goals has actually lowered the price of general admission (treats are pay-as-you-go) to \$17 from \$20.

That gets you 90 minutes to browse, snap and taste all the treats that catch your eye. Dessert Goals sells only a limited number of tickets, so the event is never crowded, vendors don't run out and attendees can enjoy the Instagram Garden and panels instead of spending the day standing in line.

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Valentine's Day is tomorrow, so our thoughts naturally turn to flowers and hearts. That's probably why February has been American Heart Month for 54 years, since President Lyndon Johnson proclaimed it a federal event. In that spirit, we spoke to Dr. Dennis Finkelstein, associate chairman of cardiology and director of ambulatory cardiology at Mount Sinai Beth Israel, about heart disease and how to prevent it.

What are the main types of heart disease? "Heart disease" is a broad umbrella term. Many times there's many different diagnoses. When most people talk about heart disease, they're talking about

coronary artery disease or coronary atherosclerosis; those two things you can use interchangeably. And that's the kind of thing that, if left untreated, leads to myocardial infarction, or a heart attack, and weakened heart muscle. Arrhythmias, valvular heart disease, hypertension, weakened heart muscle from other causes — we call those cardiomyopathies — those are the other categories.

What are the symptoms of coronary artery disease? Often times, cholesterol, atherosclerosis or cholesterol plaques can build up in the coronary arteries without symptoms, so it's asymptomatic. When it becomes

symptomatic, one of the most common symptoms is what's called angina, and that is chest pain or pressure, often with exertion. Sometimes, in about 30 percent of people, the first manifestation of any coronary artery disease is an actual heart attack.

We often associate heart disease with aging. What about heart conditions in younger people?

We've noticed in Manhattan we have more and more people manifesting symptoms in their 40s, without a doubt. And we have a whole group of people who are manifesting in their 30s now. So the notion that the disease is only of the middle aged and above is absolutely

not true anymore.

What are preventive steps people can take? I would say that the No. 1 thing they can do is to see their physician to talk about their risks, and to take the time now to change their lifestyle to a healthy living lifestyle. We can lower risk with a healthy diet, achieving a goal blood pressure and a goal cholesterol.

Is there one diet that's better for the heart than others?

The best diet so far, in terms of all the studies, is the Mediterranean diet. I like to tell people that the Greeks got it right and we got it wrong in America. They avoid the three F's: fried food, fatty food, and fast food. They avoid drink-

ing their calories except for a little alcohol. So that means no fruit juice, no soda and no iced tea. They don't calorie stack, which means skip breakfast, lunch and have a huge dinner and go to the couch. They have their biggest meal around 4 p.m., and everything is fresh and unprocessed.

What about exercise?

Part of healthy living would be to have regular cardiovascular exercise. We tell people to aim for five-seven times per week, knowing they'll fall short of that and probably hit two or three times per week. Any kind of exercise that raises the heart rate and keeps it maintained for 30-45 minutes.

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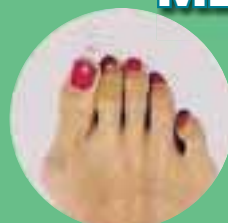


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Mets in need of one more starter

If the Mets truly want to label this offseason a success, they need to pick up one more starter to bolster the rotation.



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Pitchers and catchers reported to spring training on Monday, just another sign that Major League Baseball is right around the corner.

For the New York Mets, it's been a surprisingly active offseason after early indications suggested they would not be spenders, relegating the franchise and its fans to another mediocre season.

However, they were able to bring on reliever Anthony Swarzak and Jay Bruce to fill the gap in

right field before addressing a huge need in the infield by signing third baseman Todd Frazier.

They weren't necessarily the most marquee names out there — and some have accused the Mets of taking the cheaper way out — but at least management bucked the trend of market dormancy and attempted to upgrade the team.

If the Mets want to truly label this offseason a success though, they need to make one final move and bring in a sturdy starting pitcher to bolster the rotation.

At this point, preparing for the 2018 season expecting the starting pitchers they have now to stay healthy for the entire season is a dangerous and foolish game to play.

Remember, this is a team that was supposed to attain consistent success behind a pitching staff featuring Noah Syndergaard, Jacob deGrom,



Lance Lynn (left) and Alex Cobb (right) are viable free-agent options for the Mets to pursue this month. GETTY IMAGES

Matt Harvey, Steven Matz and Zack Wheeler.

But injuries have been a constant issue throughout their respective tenures in the big leagues. Syndergaard tore his lat muscle in April, which held him out for the remainder of the 2017 season while Wheeler experienced stress injuries to his arm just two years after undergoing Tommy John surgery.

Harvey, who has battled injuries since un-

dergoing Tommy John in 2013, suffered a stress injury in his shoulder as he basically had to re-learn how to pitch and find his command. It showed as he posted a career-worst 6.70 ERA. Matz, who also hasn't been able to stay healthy since making his MLB debut in 2015, saw a dreadful season that contained a 6.08 ERA end early because of elbow surgery.

Only deGrom, who pitched 201.1 innings in

2017, was the only Met starter to eclipse the 120-inning mark. Turning to the likes of Robert Gsellman, Seth Lugo and Rafael Montero to save the staff, the Mets sported the third-worst ERA in all of baseball at 5.01, which makes it obvious that the team needs some kind of insurance in 2018.

Sitting out on the free-agent market for the taking are veterans Lance Lynn and Alex Cobb, two starters that could pro-

vide some much-needed stability to New York's starting unit.

While both right-handers underwent Tommy John surgery in 2015, both Cobb and Lynn have bounced back strong and looked fairly unaffected by the procedure. Lynn pitched in 186.1 innings last year, putting up a 12-11 record with a 3.03 ERA and 153 strikeouts. Cobb logged a career-high 179.1 innings while going 12-10 with a 3.66 ERA and 128 punchouts.

Innings eaters like that who can consistently provide quality starts would work wonders for a Mets rotation that has seemingly been in flux for the past four years. Instead of scrambling for inexperienced or ineffective pitchers when the injury bug strikes, the season doesn't have to be over if one of New York's hurlers find himself bitten by the injury bug again.

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KNICKS CAN'T COUNT ON KP ANYMORE

OPINION



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It's about next season for the Knicks, yet again.

New York's season went up in smoke when Kristaps Porzingis went down with a torn ACL in his left knee. After a beautiful dunk against Giannis Antetokounmpo and Milwaukee at Madison Square Garden, he landed awkwardly and that was it.

As a Knicks fan, you feared the worst, which was confirmed after an MRI revealed a torn ACL. He is expected to be sidelined for at least the next 10 months.

As freaky of an athletic specimen the 22-year-old is, he is also remarkably fragile. When the Knicks season comes to an end this year, Porzingis will have missed 60 games in his first three seasons. The

only thing that Porzingis has been consistent at is being hurt.

I don't think it is a matter of physical fitness, adding weight or monitoring his fatigue levels. I do think it is the style and fashion in which he plays the game and the toll it takes on his body. At 7-foot-3, I don't think he can play the same style of basketball and expect his body to hold up well.

Everyone seemed to think that the fortune of the Knicks was going to change once they traded Carmelo Anthony. You should never expect the Knicks and success to be in the same sentence. Well, even after a good start, aided by a heavy home schedule, the Knicks have moved quickly back to being irrelevant. Now, we know the Knicks are exactly what we expected them to be: A struggling franchise that is still in search of a winning identity.

You have every reason to be concerned



Kristaps Porzingis' injury is concerning for columnist Marc Malusis. GETTY IMAGES

about Porzingis moving forward. Even though it seemed crazy at the time, now you know why former Knicks president Phil Jackson wanted to move Porzingis before the NBA draft last summer. He had serious reservations about him staying healthy.

The Knicks still look to build their franchise around Porzingis, but

the health questions still remain and they will remain there because he is rarely healthy. Maybe he can't be the lead man and will be better suited as the second fiddle. There are no questions about his game, but the question does remain as to whether or not his body can hold up and allow him to continue to show his vast basketball ability.

Can he lead the Knicks to a championship? With the right talent around him, he has the chance to do so, but that is not the most pertinent questions. It is not his ability to play, but CAN he play? Plus, what will Porzingis be following his knee surgery? Will he be the same "unicorn" that captured the imagination of this city?

Is he the face of the Knicks? For sure. But he is also the face of disappointment and injury this season as the Knicks look at another lost year still seeking answers.

Did some of those answers come on Thursday afternoon at the NBA trade deadline? I would not say that as the Knicks paired off once-promising center Willy Hernanomez to Charlotte on Wednesday and added lead guard Emmanuel Mudiay from Denver in a three-team deal that cost them Doug McDermott and a second-round draft choice.

Acquiring Mudiay is

worth the gamble for the Knicks because he has one year left on his rookie deal. He is just 21 years old and was once highly-touted as the seventh-overall pick in the 2015 draft. Maybe a change of scenery will help unlock his vast potential.

Can Mudiay be part of the solution? Maybe. He is a young athletic asset that needed a change of scenery. The Knicks will now have the rest of the season to find out what they have in both he and Frank Ntilikina.

After all, the idea of relevant basketball the rest of this season came crashing down to the hard court at MSG on Tuesday night. As Porzingis grabbed his left knee, the Knicks brain trust gasped and the same concerns about Porzingis coming into his third season will be there going into his fourth NBA season. Can he be the lead man and can he stay healthy? Questions, questions and more questions.

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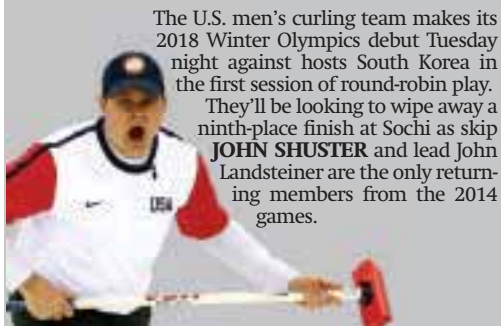
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With 22 duos set to take part in the pair skating short program, the United States has just one couple in the mix.

ALEXA SCIMECA KNIERIM and her husband, **CHRIS KNIERIM**, are fresh off winning a bronze medal in the team event where they competed in the same discipline, the pair skating short program. They finished fourth among 10 participants with a score of 69.75.



ALPINE SKIING WOMEN'S SLALOM FINAL



MIKAELA SHIFFRIN finally will get an opportunity to kick her 2018 Games off after the giant slalom was postponed due to high winds and harsh conditions.

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IAS Part 34 before The
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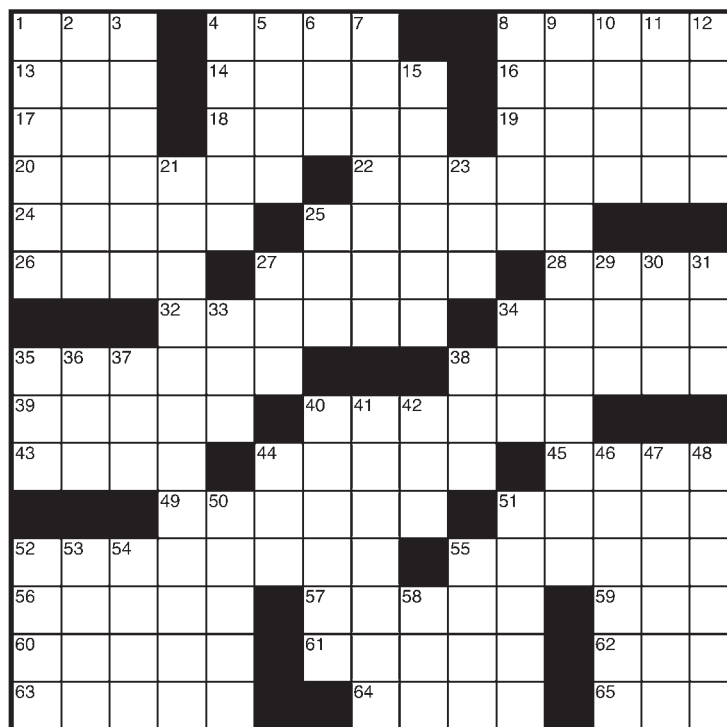
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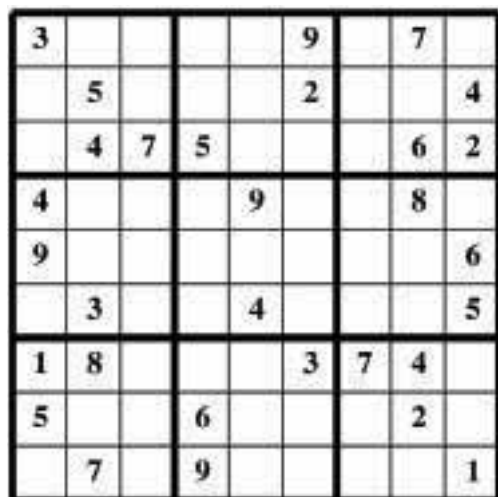
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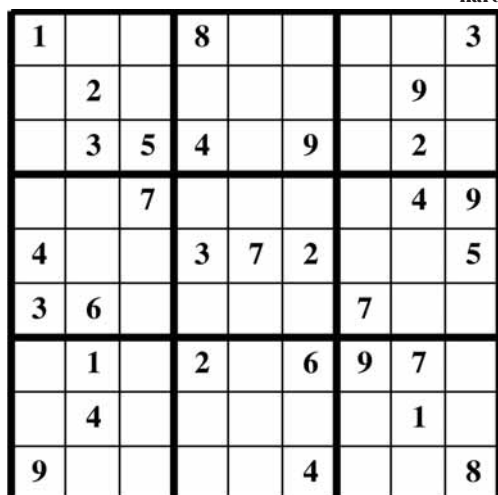


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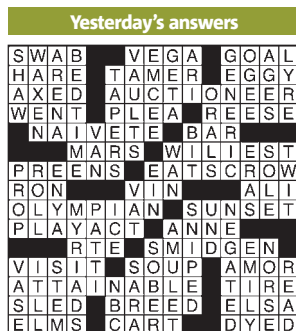
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